



Alice Vivian (Layman) Roam

October 5, 1929 - January 26, 2015

Alice Vivian (Layman) Roam, daughter of the late Arch and Zoe (Hoke) Layman, was born on October 5, 1929 at home in Lebanon, Missouri. She grew up in Lebanon and graduated Valedictorian of her class in 1947. Alice had the distinct honor of receiving the Clara Barton Scholarship from the Spanish American War Auxiliary of Lebanon. She was only one of two in the nation that received this scholarship. After high school graduation, Alice attended Washington University School of Nursing and graduated with her nursing diploma in 1950.

After graduating from nursing school, Alice began working for the St. Louis Children's Hospital and then moved to Washington, D.C. where she worked as a nurse in the local children's hospital. She eventually moved back to Lebanon and began working at the Wallace Hospital.

While working at the Wallace Hospital, Alice met the love of her life Don Roam. They met in October of 1953 and were united in marriage on February 21, 1954. They shared over 40 years together and were blessed with three children: Frank, Kim and Sherry.

Alice began working for the Pulaski County Health Department in 1965 as a nurse and became the administrator of the department in 1976 and served in that capacity until her retirement in 1990. After retiring from the health

department, she began helping Don at their hardware store in Richland until 1995.

Alice was a very active person and loved helping people. She began serving on the Central Ozarks Medical Board since its inception in 1978 and was currently still serving on the board. She served on the Pulaski County Home Health Advisory Board and the Pulaski County Health Department Administrative Board of Trustees from 1990 to present. Alice served as the Grand Worthy Matron of the Order of the Eastern Star of Richland. She was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, two separate Book Clubs and had just recently earned the Distinguished Service Award for Rural Initiatives of Missouri from COMC.

At an early age, Alice made a profession of faith and was baptized at the Congregational Church in Lebanon at the age of 12. After moving to Richland, she and Don became members of the First Baptist Church and she was re-baptized for her membership. She loved the Lord and would study her Bible faithfully. She worked as a nursery teacher for over 30 years at the church and also as the Acteen/GA Director for 15 years.

In her spare time, Alice enjoyed knitting and was also an avid reader. She loved nursing and checking on people. Most importantly, she treasured the times that she could spend with her family, friends and church family.

Alice went home to be with her Lord Monday, January 26, 2015 at her home having attained the age of 85 years.

Alice leaves to cherish her memory, her three children: Frank Roam & his wife Carol of Richland, MO, Kim Roam and his wife, Debbi of Grain Valley, MO, Sherry Struckhoff and her husband Ken of Richland, MO; seven grandchildren: Jacob Roam and wife Jessie, Alice Decker and husband Ben,

Abbey Roam, Caleb Roam and wife Jennifer, Tess Roam, Nicole Ingram and husband Alex and Jessi Struckhoff; one brother: RADM Lawrence Layman of McLean, VA; nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

In addition to her parents, Alice was preceded in death by her husband, Don; granddaughter, Melanie; and sister-in-law, Carmen Layman.

Alice lived life to the fullest until the very end and her biggest dream was fulfilled when she heard God say "Well done, my good and faithful servant."

Services were held at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, January 31, 2015 in the First Baptist Church of Richland with Pastor Bob Lilly officiating. Pianist, Marleen Brown accompanied soloist, Vivian King as she sang "Danny Boy" and "In the Garden." Serving as escorts were Jacob Roam, Caleb Roam, Ben Decker, Alex Ingram, John Layman and Lavan Ruggles. Honorary escorts were the Deacons of First Baptist Church of Richland. Burial followed in the Bethlehem Cemetery near Swedeborg, Missouri.

Services were under the direction of Memorial Chapel of Richland.

Memorial contributions may be made in memory of Alice Vivian Roam to the First Baptist Scholarship Fund and may be left at the First Baptist Church of Richland.

Online condolences may be left at www.richlandmemorialchapel.com

Cemetery Details

Bethlehem Cemetery

Richland, MO 65556

Tribute Wall



“ *Alice Vivian (Layman) Roam*

January 28, 2023 at 06:53 AM



“ *Larry Bowling lit a candle in memory of Alice Vivian (Layman) Roam*



Larry Bowling - February 10, 2015 at 03:50 PM



“ *I loved your mother. When we were in high school together, she was a very sweet young girl.*

So sorry for your loss.

Mildred (Wagoner) Stott

Libby Stott - February 07, 2015 at 07:16 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss. Prayers are with you and your family at this time*



Susan Covert - February 03, 2015 at 12:50 PM

DS

“ I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your mother. She was a lovely, special lady. All those that knew her will miss her kind spirit. My condolences on your loss and God bless you all during this difficult time.

Donna Shockley - January 31, 2015 at 04:02 PM

BH

“ Sherry, Kim and Frank - my thoughts , tears and prayers are with you and your mother this morning as I can not make it .i am so sorry to miss this farewell and so sorry to lose my dear friend , she will be missed so much, and by so many, she was such a great and loving person. .
Beth Hutton

Beth Hutton - January 31, 2015 at 10:06 AM

RW

“ Retta Weddle lit a candle in memory of Alice Vivian (Layman) Roam



retta weddle - January 30, 2015 at 07:02 PM

JG

“ Alice always had a big smile on her face and never a hair out of place. What a precious woman! The Lord will be overjoyed to have her by his side! God Bless all the family.

Judy Gray - January 30, 2015 at 01:10 PM

MB

“ Frank, Kim, and Sherri, I am so sorry to hear of your mother's death. She was a warm, generous lady with a ready smile and will be missed very much. I spent many hours in her home as she gave my son Mark Howlett, his allergy shots for years. I have so many fond memories of her. Millie Howlett Brotherton

Millie Howlett Brotherton - January 29, 2015 at 12:24 PM

KM

“ She was a great Lady, that I will never forget. God bless the family she leaves behind.

Kristi Smith McConnell - January 29, 2015 at 10:46 AM

TM

“ Roam Family,
So sorry for your loss. Alice was such true blessing to everyone who knew her. She will be missed by many. May God be with you all during this tragic time. From our family to yours we send our deepest sympathies.
Kenneth, Dalene McDaniel, and family
Sue Pentecost and family

Tiffannie McDaniel-Neel - January 29, 2015 at 10:14 AM

TM

“ So very sorry for your loss; she was a grand lady!! and will be missed.



Terry/Dian Mitschele - January 28, 2015 at 08:03 PM

JR

“ Alice was such a wonderful friend to my mother. She was a warm, caring person and will be missed. Frank, Kim and Sherri and families, my thoughts are with you. Jackie Payne Rice

Jackie Rice - January 28, 2015 at 07:34 PM

WF

“ I had known Alice for many years.! Prayers for all of the family.



Wm.shell Family - January 28, 2015 at 07:09 PM

MS

“ Marge Scott lit a candle in memory of Alice Vivian (Layman) Roam



Marge Scott - January 28, 2015 at 11:43 AM

MS

To the Roam Family, my prayers are with you. May the Lord bring you comfort in this time of sorrow.

Marge Scott - January 28, 2015 at 11:44 AM

RK

Our thoughts and prayers are with you. She will be missed. Russ and Georgia Klay (the Roam's lake neighbors)

Russ and Georgia Klay - January 30, 2015 at 11:28 AM

LM

I never attended a class or meeting that Alice was in that she didn't take names and notes. Never got around to asking her why either. She just did it. That was Alice./Lois McBreairty

Lois McBreairty - January 30, 2015 at 10:01 PM



“*Mrs. Roam was such a sweet, genuine person. She always had a smile and kind word for everyone. So sorry for your loss. Prayers for the family. Diane Gibbs*



Diane Gibbs - January 28, 2015 at 08:48 AM

CO

“*What a sweet lady. She will be missed by many.*

Cathy Offutt - January 28, 2015 at 08:42 AM

MS

“*MARLIN STEVENS sent a virtual gift in memory of Alice Vivian (Layman) Roam*



MARLIN STEVENS - January 28, 2015 at 06:56 AM

MW

“*Mrs. Alice, you were one of a kind, dear lady. We were constantly amazed at what you could do all the while knitting or crocheting with your hands. We will truly miss you, your smile, your quiet efficiency at everything you did. and our times together in Vacation Bible School. I rejoice that you are home with your husband, and other family and friends seated at the feet of Jesus. . To Sherry, Frank, Kim and your families, our deepest condolences and our fervent prayers for your peace, comfort, and strength. May God richly bless each one of you.*

Martin and Georgia White - January 27, 2015 at 11:33 PM

TH

“*Ted Helms sent a virtual gift in memory of Alice Vivian (Layman) Roam*



Ted Helms - January 27, 2015 at 10:32 PM

TH

Mrs. Roam was our school nurse at Crocker for several years. She was always so nice. She loved children and we all know the Lord has a special place for those who care for children as Alice did. Prayers of comfort for her family.

Ted Helms - January 27, 2015 at 10:36 PM

LH

“*What a wonderful lady and what a legacy! My condolences to Alice's family.*
Luge Hardman

Luge Hardman - January 27, 2015 at 08:08 PM

NA

Sherry and family-we so loved your mother here at Eyeglass Center. We always looked forward to seeing her. God Bless your family.

Nancy - January 29, 2015 at 08:58 AM

RW

Alice was such a wonderful Christian lady..our loss is heavens gain..prayers to the family.she was a blessing to know

retta weddle - January 30, 2015 at 07:00 PM